Mountain Weather Forecast

Yorkshire Dales National Park

Forecast valid from 06:00 on Friday 04 Dec 2020 until 23:59 on Saturday 05 Dec 2020

Forecast Issued on Friday 04 Dec 2020 at 03:43

Confidence: High for cold day with snow Friday but lower for details and the return to slightly warmer and, for a time, more settled conditions early next week

Headline for Friday 04 Dec 2020: Bright start but becoming cloudy with occasionally heavy snow. Strong northerly winds.

Mountain weather hazards on Friday 04 Dec 2020

Blizzards Low Likelihood	**Heavy Snow** Medium Likelihood	**Storm force winds** No Likelihood
Gales No Likelihood	**Severe chill effect** Low Likelihood	**Poor visibility** High Likelihood
Thunderstorms No Likelihood	**Heavy persistent rain** No Likelihood	**Strong sunlight** No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 600m					
Time					
06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Light snow	Heavy snow	Heavy snow	Heavy snow	Light snow	Heavy snow
Precipitation probability					
10%	10%	80%	60%	30%	30%

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Weather: Occasional snow showers die out soon after dawn to leave some sunny spells but cloud increases from the east bringing more persistent snow towards midday, this heavy at times with perhaps blizzard conditions over the higher slopes, the snow turning to rain or sleet for a time below 600m. The snow clears around or soon after dusk to leave clear spells and wintry showers in the evening, these falling mainly as rain below 450m. Lying snow drifting in the strong winds over higher slopes.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 600m: Around 60% at first with occasional cloud above 600m but falling close to zero by late morning with periods or persistent cloud above 600m and patches below. Chances improve slightly through the evening.

Visibility: Very good falling to a few kilometres in snow and snow showers, but a kilometre or less in heavier snow and near zero in blizzard conditions.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph) Wind Direction (blowing from)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
600	13/21 N	10/15 N	12/17 N	12/17 N	12/19 N	13/20 NE	13/21 E
300	13/23 NW	10/18 N	8/18 N	8/18 N	8/19 N	8/18 N	10/21 NE
Valley	13/25 N	6/16 N	7/18 N	10/22 N	7/19 N	6/17 N	10/21 NE

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
600	-2/-7	-1/-6	-0/-6	0/-5	1/-4	0/-5	0/-5
300	0/-5	0/-4	1/-2	2/-2	2/-2	2/-2	2/-2
Valley	1/-4	2/-1	3/0	4/1	4/1	4/2	3/-0
Freezing Level*	300m	300m	600m	800m	800m	800m	600m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Meteorologist's View

A cold day at all levels, although lying snow at lower levels thawing during the afternoon/evening. Winds occasionally strong above 600m.

Recent rainfall: measured at Malham: altitude 375m

Recorded at	Last 24 hours:	Last 48 hours:	Last 72 hours:
03:00 on Fri 04 Dec 2020	10.2mm	18.2mm	18.2mm

Forecast for Saturday 05 Dec 2020

Weather: Clear spells and a few snow showers overnight, the showers falling increasingly as rain below about 450m. Then a bright day with some good spells of sunshine, but showers developing during the afternoon, the showers mainly of rain below about 450m.

Maximum wind: Northeasterly 15-20mph, gusts around 35mph over ridges and summits, gradually easing 10mph and backing more northerly again later.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 600m: Close to 100% through the morning with little cloud expected below the summits falling to 40% in the afternoon with occasional or periods of cloud above 600m developing.

Visibility: Very good or excellent with some good views of recently snow covered hills, falling to just a few kilometres in snow showers.

Temperature: **Valleys:** Plus 1 or 2 Celsius rising to plus 4 or 5 Celsius by day, falling close to zero again in evening.
At 600m: Around zero Celsius.
Freezing level: Around 600m.

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